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For: COPPER AGONIST THAT BINDS)	
ON THE COPPER BINDING SITE)	
OF APP AND/OR EXERTS AN)	
INHIBITING EFFECT ON THE)	
RELEASE OF AMYLOID A β)	
PEPTIDE)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace claims 1-5 as follows.

1. (Amended) A method for the prevention or treatment of Alzheimer's disease comprising using a copper agonist which binds to the copper binding site of the amyloid precursor protein (APP) and/or reduces or prevents the release of the amyloid A β peptide.